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E.O. 11652:GDS  
TAGS: PDEV RH UK  
SUBJECT: RHODESIA: NKOMO AND KAUNDA STRESS THAT ARMED STRUGGLE  
WILL CONTINUE

1. BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION HAS SHARED WITH US REPORTS  
ON LORD ARRINGTON'S CALLS ON JOSHUA NKOMO AND PRESIDENT  
KAUNDA FEBRUARY 21. BOTH SAID SALISBURY TALKS DID NOT  
PROVIDE BASIS FOR TRUE INDEPENDENCE AND THERE APPEARED  
TO BE NO ALTERNATIVE BUT TO CONTINUE THE ARMED STRUGGLE.  
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2. NKOMO RULED OUT THE POSSIBILITY OF ANY PATRIOTIC FRONT  
COOPERATION WITH MUZOREWA AND SITHOLE IN AN INTERNAL  
ARRANGEMENT AND ARGUED THAT, EVEN IF AN ELECTED GOVERNMENT  
WERE TO TAKE OFFICE UNDER THE INTERNAL SETTLEMENT, THE  
WHITES WOULD USE THE ARMY TO STAGE A COUP. HE SAID SALISBURY  
DEVELOPMENTS HAD NOT AFFECTED PF'S READINESS TO CONTINUE

NEGOTIATIONS ON THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS BUT NEITHER HAD THEY MADE THE PF MORE READY TO COMPROMISE ITS PRINCIPLES IN SUCH NEGOTIATIONS.

3. KAUNDA TOLD CARRINGTON THAT HE THOUGHT THE INTERNAL SETTLEMENT WOULD FAIL AND THAT ZAMBIA WOULD CONTINUE TO SERVE AS A REAR BASE FOR THE PF. HE SAID THE ANGLO-AMERICAN FAILURE TO PURSUE THEIR PROPOSALS HAD PERMITTED SMITH TO ENGINEER HIS INTERNAL SETTLEMENT. ON CROSS BORDER INCURSIONS FROM RHODESIA, KAUNDA SAID THESE HAD NOT OCCURRED BECAUSE RHODESIANS RESPECTED THE ZAMBIAN ARMY AS A FIGHTING FORCE. HE DID NOT RULE OUT STEPPED UP INCURSIONS IN THE FUTURE AND SAID ZAMBIA WOULD GIVE AS GOOD AS IT GOT AND RESERVED THE RIGHT TO CALL FOR OUTSIDE HELP.

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